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| **ELUDE**  To evade or escape from (a danger, enemy, pursuer) in a skillful way | **Conviction**  A firmly held belief or opinion  A formal declaration that someone is guilty of a criminal defense |
| **BLEAK**  Dreary, cold, miserable  Lacking vegetation and plants, exposed to the elements. | **Ornery**  Bad tempered, combative, or stubborn |
| **Notion**  A belief about something | **Promptly**  With little or no delay |
| **Indignant**  Feeling or showing anger or annoyance at what is perceived as unfair treatment | **Gallant**  Brave or heroic |
| **Scarce**  Not enough or insufficient amounts for the amount that is needed | **Falter**  To lose strength or momentum  To speak in an unsteady voice  Move unsteadily or in a way that shows lack of confidence |